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CALLS FOR QUIZ ON AMERICANS' VISITS TO CUBA

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Washington, March 28—Rep. William C. Cramer (R., Fla.) prodded the Justice department to take action against American citizens who violate state department regulations by traveling to communist Cuba.

Cramer told the House he has given the House committee on un-American activities the names of 97 citizens who have made the trip. He asserted that this is information the executive branch has refused to give to Congress.

"Bragged About Violations"

The congressman said that some of those who have made visits to Havana by way of Mexico City have "openly and brazenly bragged about their flagrant violations of the law and their aid and comfort to the Communists."

Rep. Francis E. Walter (D., Pa.) chairman of the committee on un-American activities, announced on March 14 that his committee was investigating the Cuban travel since last summer and that hearings would be held to determine whether legislation is needed to tighten up passport regulations.

Cramer gave the House the name of three of the 97 persons he said have gone to and returned from Cuba. He said he did so in the hope of "prodding the Justice department into taking some action against these violators and the state department into closing this open door of subversion."

Named in Ad

The congressman said that advertisements in the Worker, a communist publication, named Gerald Quinn, John Read and V. T. Lee as citizens who have recently returned from Cuba. They are engaged in "promoting the Communist-Castro cause," Cramer said.

Cramer said a Lee ad concerned the "current activities of the Cuban counterrevolutionaries in the U. S. A." He said Lee formerly was with the Fair Play for Cuba committee in Tampa, and now "apparently has hit the big time in communist circles."

The congressman said the Fair Play for Cuba committee should be placed on the attorney general's list of subversive organizations.